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SUBJECT: IMPASSE AT THESSALONIKI UNIVERSITY

REF: THESSALONIKI 21 AND PREVIOUS

1. THESSALONIKI CAMPUS CALM JAN 16 WITH MEDICAL STUDENTS STILL OCCUPYING SCHOOL BUILDING AND GENERAL BOYCOTT IN EFFECT FOR ALL UNIVERSITY CLASSES. POLICE REINFORCEMENTS EVIDENT ALONG MAJOR THESSALONIKI STREETS, HOWEVER, TO CONTROL POSSIBLE DEMONSTRATIONS, INCLUDING DISPUTE THIS A.M. AT SEPARATE HIGHER INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL BETWEEN STUDENTS ATTEMPTING TO ATTEND CLASSES AND OTHERS ENFORCING BOYCOTT.

2. NEW DEVELOPMENT HIGHLIGHTED IN "ELLINIKOS VORRAS" OF JAN 16 IS ARRIVAL PREVIOUS DAY OF 3-MAN DELEGATION OF "WORLD FEDERATION OF DEMOCRATIC YOUTH" TO EXPRESS SOLIDARITY WITH THESSALONIKI STUDENTS AND MEET LOCAL REPS OF COMMUNIST YOUTH OF GREECE (KNE). GROUP REPORTEDLY CONSISTS OF MEMBERS FROM USSR, INDIA AND ITALY.

3. ALL THESSALONIKI PAPERS ALSO CARRY MILD LETTER
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FROM US PROF CHRISTOFORIDES (REFS), WHO PARTICULAR

TARGET OF STUDENTS, DENYING ALLEGATION OF JUNTA
AFFILIATIONS AND SUPPORTING REFORM OF UNIVERSITY
EDUCATION. PRESS ALSO CARRIES RELEASE BY LOCAL ASSOCIATION
OF RADIOLOGISTS SUPPORTING CHRISTOFORIDES. THESSALONIKI
UNIV RECTOR MOLYIOTIS SCHEDULED TO MEET WITH REPS OF MED
SCHOOL STUDENT UNION JAN 16 TO REVIEW SITUATION.
PAPERS ALSO REPORT THAT INTER-FACULTY STUDENT COMMITTEE PLANNING
"ALL-PEOPLE'S" RALLY HERE FOR JAN 22 TO BACK DEMANDS FOR
"DEMOCRATIZATION OF EDUCATION AND PUBLIC LIFE". NEW
DEMOCRACY STUDENT WING, WHICH ISSUED STATEMENT OPPOSING
BOYCOTT OF CLASSES, ALSO HOLDING SEPARATE MEETINGS
JAN 16 AND 17.
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